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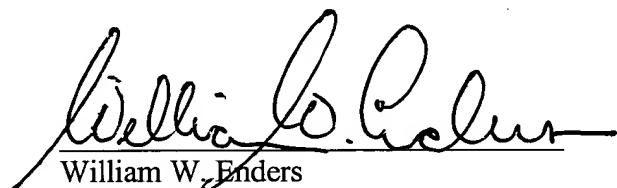
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Per 37 CFR 1.98(d), no copies of references C41 to C45 and C47 to C53 have been provided, as copies of these references have been previously submitted to the Office in co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/797,200 filed on March 1, 2001, which is entitled "Systems And Methods For The Deterministic Management of Information" and which is relied upon by the present application for an earlier effective filing date under 35 U.S.C. Section 120.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed document(s) be made of record in the present case.

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